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Subject: Public Notice for a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) of PCBs in the South River watershed,

Anne Arundel County, Maryland

Attachments: South\_River\_PCB\_TMDL\_PN\_Public\_Notice.pdf

Dear Interagency Workgroup,

Attached you will find a public notice for a draft document: "Total Maximum Daily Load of Polychlorinated Biphenyls in South River Mesohaline Chesapeake Bay Segment, Anne Arundel County, Maryland." The notice announces a 30-day public comment period for the draft TMDL, explains how to access the draft TMDL/WQA documents on Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE) website, and provides the locations of certain libraries where copies are available for review. Hard copies of the draft document are available from MDE upon request.

Please forward your written comments on the TMDL to my attention at MDE, Science Services Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 540, Baltimore, MD 21230 on or before August 15, 2014.

If you have any questions, or wish to request a copy of the draft TMDL, you can reach me by phone at 410-537-3582 or e-mail at: anthon.allred@maryland.gov.

We appreciate your interest in Maryland's TMDL/WQA initiative.

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### MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

# Notice of Intent to Submit a Total Maximum Daily Load for Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) in the South River, Anne Arundel County, Maryland

Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) directs States to identify and list waters, known as water quality limited segments (WQLSs), in which current required controls of a specified substance are inadequate to achieve water quality standards. For each WQLS, the State is required to establish a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) of the specified substance(s) that the waterbody can receive without violating water quality standards, demonstrate that another program or action will achieve water quality standards, or demonstrate via the development of a Water Quality Analysis (WQA) that water quality standards for the specified substance(s) are currently being achieved. Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) hereby gives notice of the public availability of draft TMDL document for the following WQLS:

Basin Name	Chesapeake Bay Segment	Substance
South River	MD_SOUMH	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

This document, upon approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), establishes a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for PCBs in the South River watershed (Chesapeake Bay Segment MD-SOUMH). Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) and the EPA's implementing regulations direct each state to identify and list waters, known as water quality limited segments (WQLSs), in which current required controls of a specified substance are inadequate to achieve water quality standards. For each WQLS, the State is required to either establish a TMDL of the specified substance that the waterbody can receive without violating water quality standards, or demonstrate that water quality standards are being met.

# **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT**

A 30-day public comment period for the draft document will take place from July 17, 2014 to August 15, 2014. Copies of the draft documents have been placed in the Anne Arundel County Public Library-Annapolis Branch (1410 West St., Annapolis, MD 21401). The draft document is also available on the Internet at: <a href="http://www.mde.state.md.us/TMDL">http://www.mde.state.md.us/TMDL</a> or by contacting Mr. Anthon Allred by mail at MDE/SSA, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 540, Baltimore MD 21230-1718, or by telephone at 410-537-3582 (outside the Baltimore area, dial 1-800-633-6101, x3582). Anyone wishing to review the draft document and supporting information or needing technical information may contact Mr. Allred during normal business hours.

Written comments concerning the draft document may be submitted to the Department on or before August 15, 2014 and should be sent to Mr. Allred at the above address or emailed to: anthon.allred@Maryland.gov. All comments received during the comment period will be considered and the draft document may be revised accordingly prior to its submittal to EPA for approval.